[As Reported from the Committee of the Whole] House of Representatives, 20 October 1959

Words struck out by the Committee are shown in roman enclosed in panel.

Hon. Mr Mason

LICENSING AMENDMENT

ANALYSIS

Title 1. Short Title 2. Licensing Committees to remain in office until 31 October 1960
3. Exemptions as to separate entrances
4. Review of distribution of licences

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Licensing Act 1908

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the 5 same, as follows:

- 1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Licensing Amendment Act 1959, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Licensing Act 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).
- 2. Licensing Committees to remain in office until 31 October 1960—Section seventeen of the Licensing Amendment Act 1957 is hereby amended by omitting from subsection two the words "the date on which the general election of members of local authorities next following the passing of this Act is held pursuant to subsection one of section four of the Local Elections and Polls Act 1953", and substituting the words "the thirty-first day of October, nineteen hundred and sixty".

3. Exemptions as to separate entrances—(1) Section seventy-six of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding

the following subsection:

"(3) The Licensing Committee may from time to time, if in the special circumstances of any case it thinks fit to do so, exempt the holder of any publican's licence, wholly or for such period, and on and subject to such terms and conditions, as it thinks fit, from the requirements of subsection one of this section so far as they relate to a front or principal entrance separate from and in addition to the entrance to the bar 10 or to the place where liquors not to be drunk on the premises are sold.

(2) Where at the passing of this Act any licensed premises do not conform to the requirements of the said section seventysix relating to the front or principal entrance, the holder 15 of the licence in respect of those premises shall, unless he is sooner granted an exemption under subsection three of that section, and subject to the terms and conditions of any such exemption, take all necessary steps to ensure that the premises are made to conform to those requirements before the first 20 day of December, nineteen hundred and sixty-one, and until that date his licence shall not be affected by reason of the non-compliance with that section.

4. Review of distribution of licences—The Licensing Amendment Act 1948 is hereby amended by repealing section 25 thirty, and substituting the following section:

"30. (1) The Commission may from time to time review the distribution throughout New Zealand, or within any part of New Zealand, of publicans', accommodation, tourist house, and wholesale licences, or of any class of such licences.

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"(2) Without limiting the powers of the Commission under this section, the Minister may at any time require the Commission to carry out any review that it is authorised to make under this section, and in any such case the Commission shall 35 carry out such a review accordingly."

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